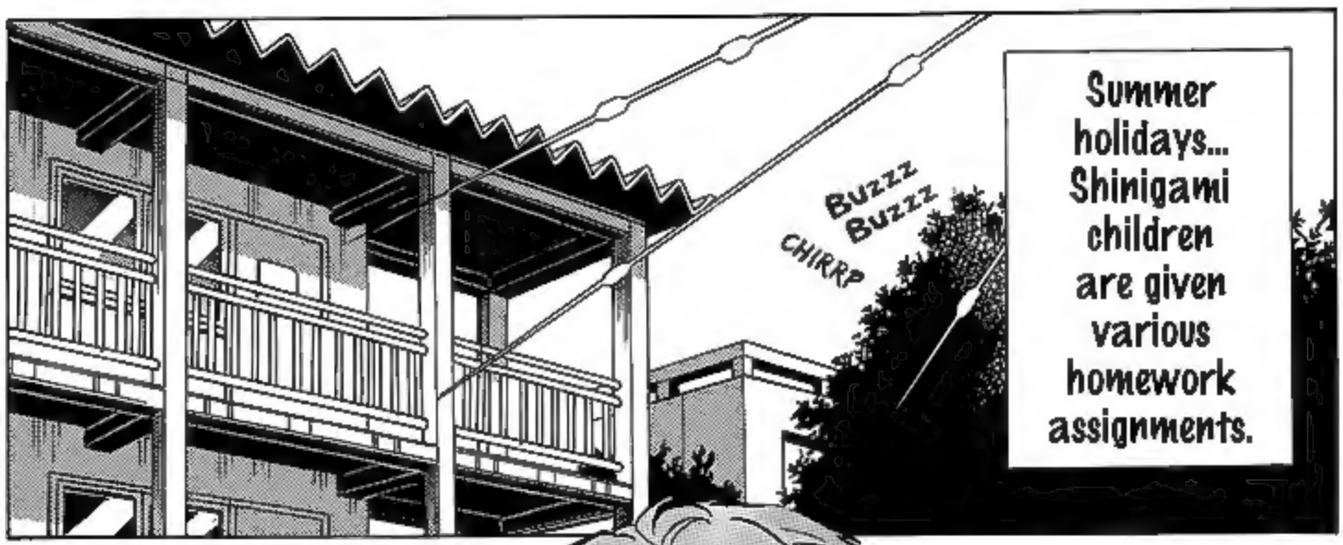
CHAPTER 201
BUG SPIRIT HUNTING


Summer holidays... Shinigami children are given various homework assignments.
BUZZZ BUZZZ CHIRRP

ME?
AN EARLY MORNING PART-TIME JOB?

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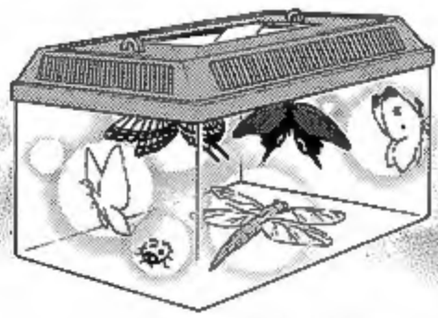
HE HAS TO CATCH BUG SPIRITS FOR HIS RESEARCH PROJECT...
IT'S TOO HOT IN THIS HOVEL!
YES, IF YOU COULD ASSIST YOUNG MASTER SHOUMA WITH HIS HOMEWORK.
CRUNCH CRUNCH
FLUTTER

Bug Spirit Hunting involves catching the spirits of insects that haven't passed on!



Kurosu strictly works from 9 to 5 only.

I'M AFRAID I DON'T WORK OVERTIME.

YOU'RE NOT GOING TO HELP HIM, 6TH GRADE KUROSU?

I THOUGHT YOU'D BE GRATEFUL TO EARN ¥500 AN HOUR.

BESIDES, YOU'RE FREE AREN'T YOU, BEGGAR RINNE?

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IT'S 5PM ALREADY? WELL I'LL BE ON MY WAY, THEN.

OH,

OW OW OW OW! HELP ME, KUROSU!

NOOGIE NOOGIE NOOGIE

THANK YOU EVER SO MUCH, YOUNG MASTER.

Early next morning...
TWEET TWEET
I SPREAD SOME SPIRIT TREE SAP LAST NIGHT.
IT SHOULD HAVE ATTRACTED SOME TARGETS!
AND JUST WHAT ARE THESE TARGETS?
STAG BEETLE SPIRITS!

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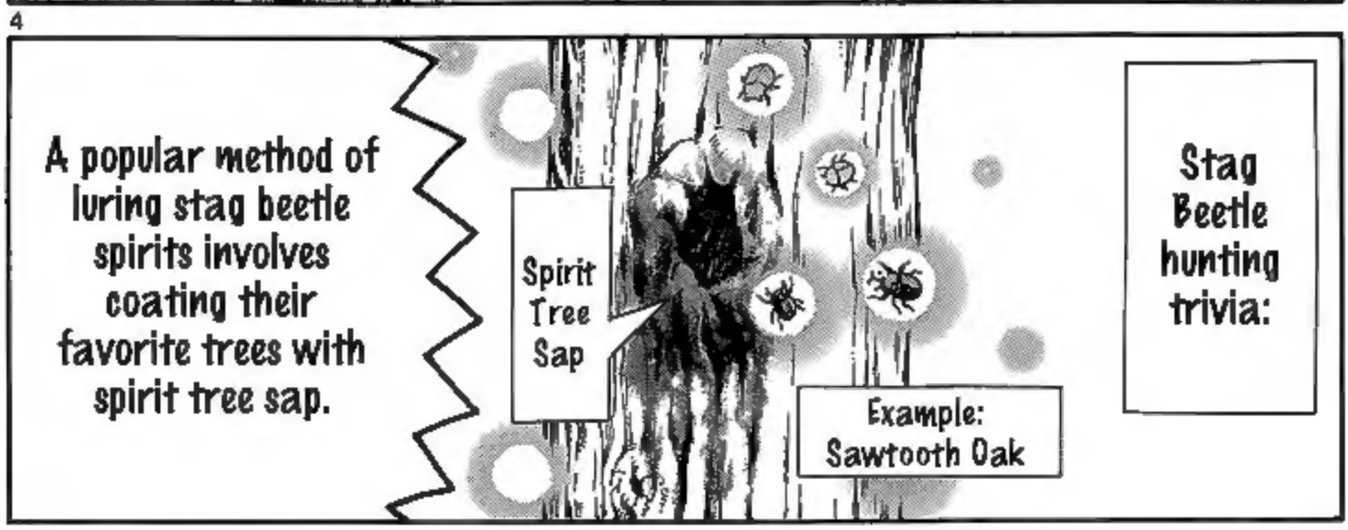
Stag Beetle hunting trivia:
A popular method of luring stag beetle spirits involves coating their favorite trees with spirit tree sap.
Spirit Tree Sap
Example: Sawtooth Oak

I HEARD ABOUT IT IN MY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DAYS.
RIGHT ...
HUNDRED YEAR GREAT STAG BEETLE?
IS THE LEGENDARY 100-YEAR GREAT STAG BEETLE!
THE ONE I'M AIMING FOR
BUT,
THERE'S THIS GREAT STAG BEETLE SPIRIT THAT'S NO-ONE BEEN ABLE TO CATCH. IT'S BEEN RULING THE FOREST FOR 100 YEARS SINCE IT DIED...
HMPH!
WHY NOT KEEP IT SIMPLE AND STICK TO COLLECTING BUTTERFLY AND DRAGONFLY SPIRITS?
I THOUGHT IT WAS JUST AN URBAN LEGEND AMONG SHINIGAMI KIDS...
I'LL BE THE CLASS HERO!
THE LEGENDARY 100 YEAR GREAT STAG BEETLE IS WORTH A STAGGERING 10,000 POINTS!!
BUT!
BUTTERFLIES AND DRAGONFLIES ARE ONLY WORTH 1 POINT EACH.

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Roooar
SNAP SNAP
SNAP SNAP
WELL, GOOD LUCK.

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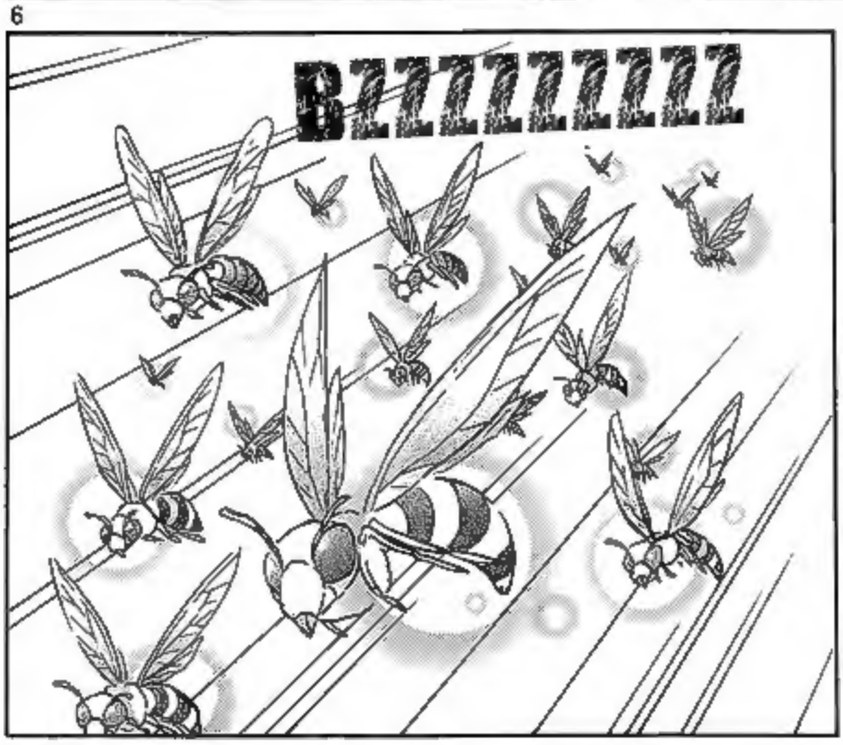
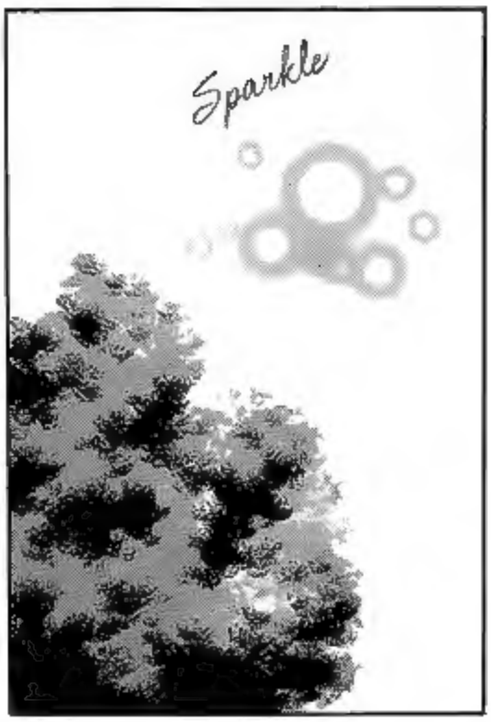
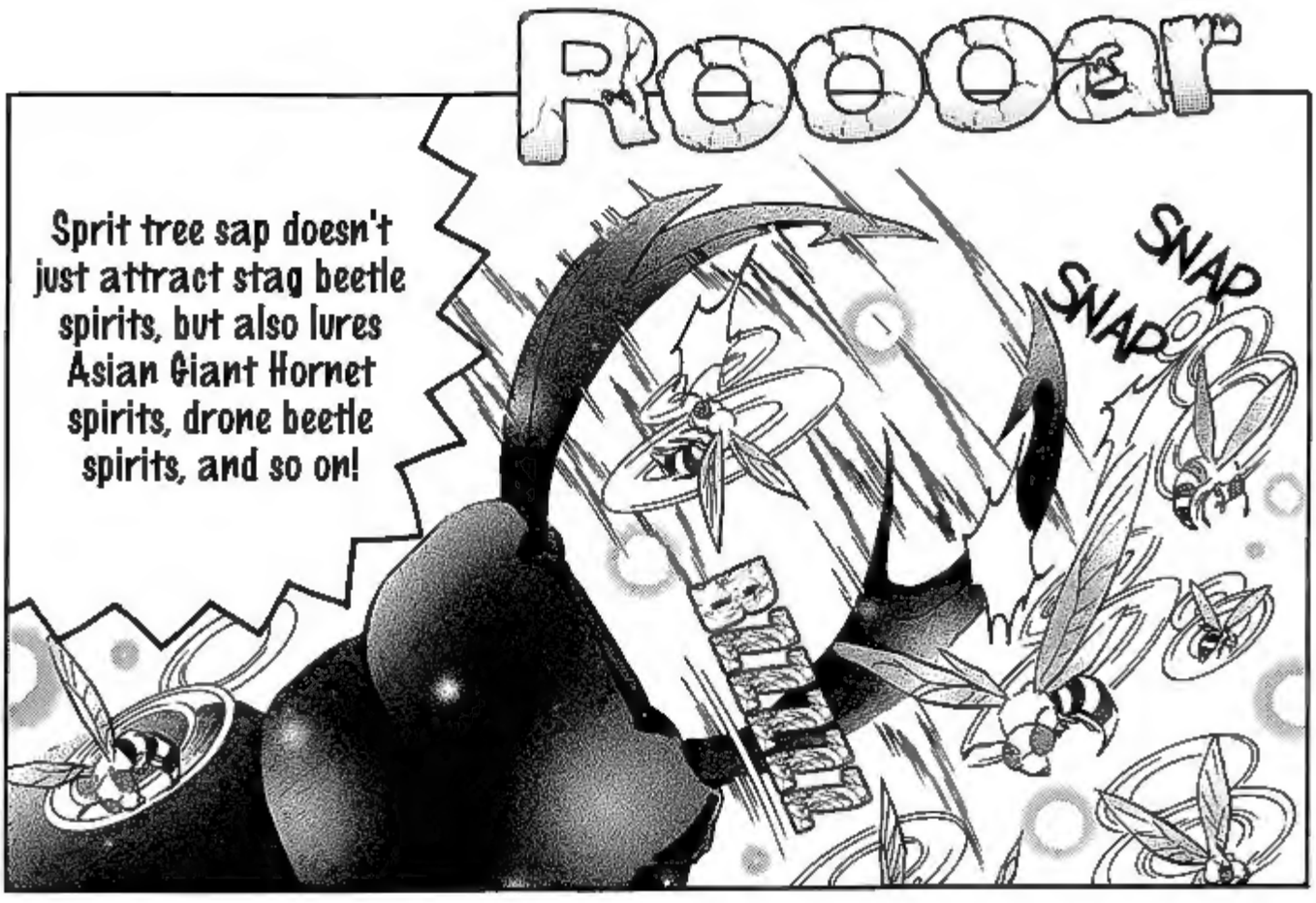
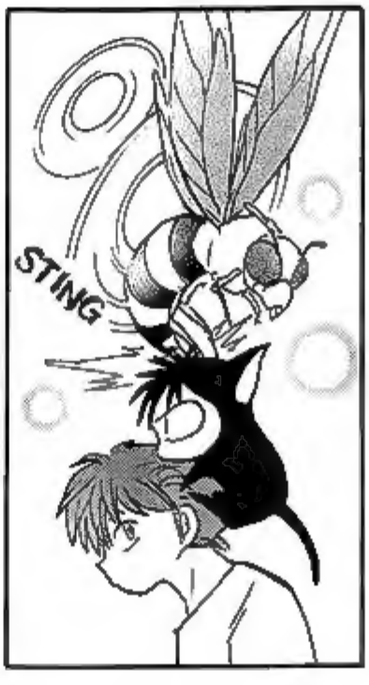

BZZZZZZZZ


Sparkle


Roooar
Sprit tree sap doesn't just attract stag beetle spirits, but also lures Asian Giant Hornet spirits, drone beetle spirits, and so on!
SNAP
SNAP

DON'T WORRY, THEY'RE JUST SPIRITS! EVEN IF YOU GET STUNG,
IT STUNG ME!
THEY CAN'T HURT YOU...


STING

WHACK
BZZ

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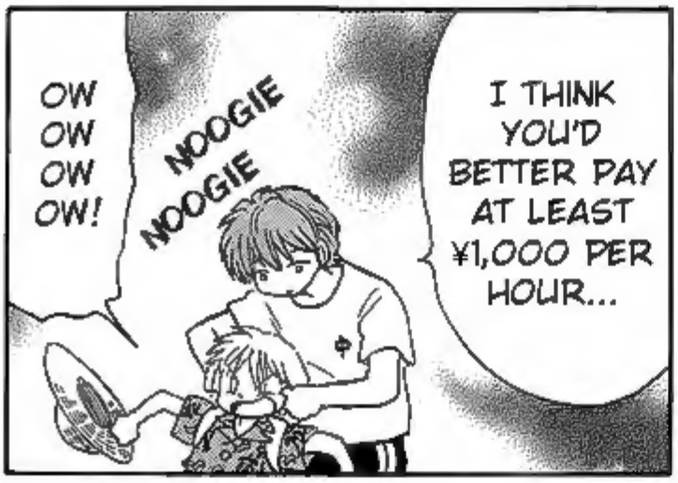
OW OW OW OW!
NOOGIE NOOGIE
I THINK YOU'D BETTER PAY AT LEAST ¥1,000 PER HOUR...

IT'S JUST YOUR IMAGIN-ATION! LET'S DO THIS RINNE!
IT HURTS !!
SWOII
Actually, spirits can harm you.

Hornets are weak against smoke.
FALLING
BZZZZZT
POOF
SMOKE
HUH?!?
STRIDE
STRIDE
STRIDE
STRIDE
HMPH.
THAT TAKES CARE OF THOSE PESKY GIANT HORNETS.
DON'T BE SO NAIVE, ROKUMON.
YOU CAME TO HELP US, EVEN THOUGH IT'S AFTER WORKING HOURS!?
6TH GRADE KUROSU!

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AFTER ALL,
HE'S CLEARLY MOON-LIGHTING!
~$840
¥100,000!?
YOU'LL GET ¥100,000 FOR SUCH A RARE SPECIMEN!!
IF YOU SELL THE GREAT STAG BEETLE SPIRIT TO THE PET SHOP IN THE OTHER WORLD,
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THE ONE WHO CATCHES IT SHALL BE ME!
FWIP
SHOVE
WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY THAT SOONER!?

I KNEW IT WOULD COME TO THIS WHEN YOUNG MASTER SHOUMA EMPLOYED YOU!
SWISH
HMPH. AS I THOUGHT, RINNE!
BLACK CAT GEN-JUT-SU!
MEOOW

HUH?
JUST AS I PLANNED!

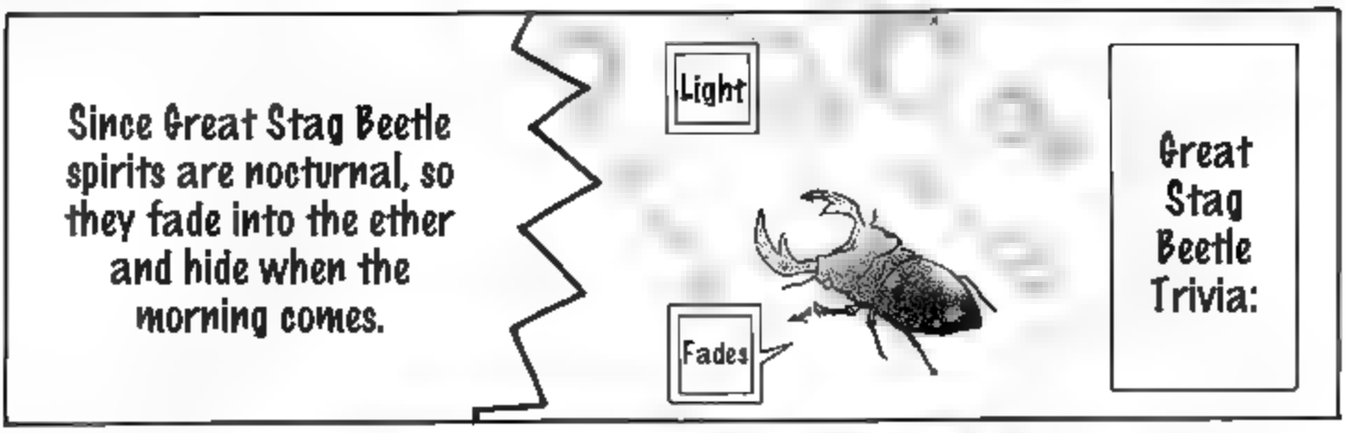
WAS TO KEEP KUROSU OCCUPIED!
THE REAL REASON I HIRED RINNE...

WOAH!
STOMP

I'LL CATCH THE 100 YEAR GREAT STAG BEETLE!
WHILE THOSE TWO ARE GOING AT IT,
Booo
ZOOM
OH NO!

OH, YOUNG MASTER!
!
SWISH
STOMP
LIAR!
CLANG CLANG CLANG CLANG
MEOOW
YOU POOR THING!
HUH!?
HAS THE SPIRIT FADED A LITTLE...?
FIZZLE
IS IT JUST ME, OR...

HOW COME!?
WE HAVE TO CATCH IT QUICKLY!
NOT GOOD!


Since Great Stag Beetle spirits are nocturnal, so they fade into the ether and hide when the morning comes.
Light
Fades
Great Stag Beetle Trivia:

YOU SHOULD LOOK IN THE MIRROR BEFORE TELLING ME THAT... BUT LET'S COOPERATE.
WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO FIGHT BECAUSE OF YOUR GREED!

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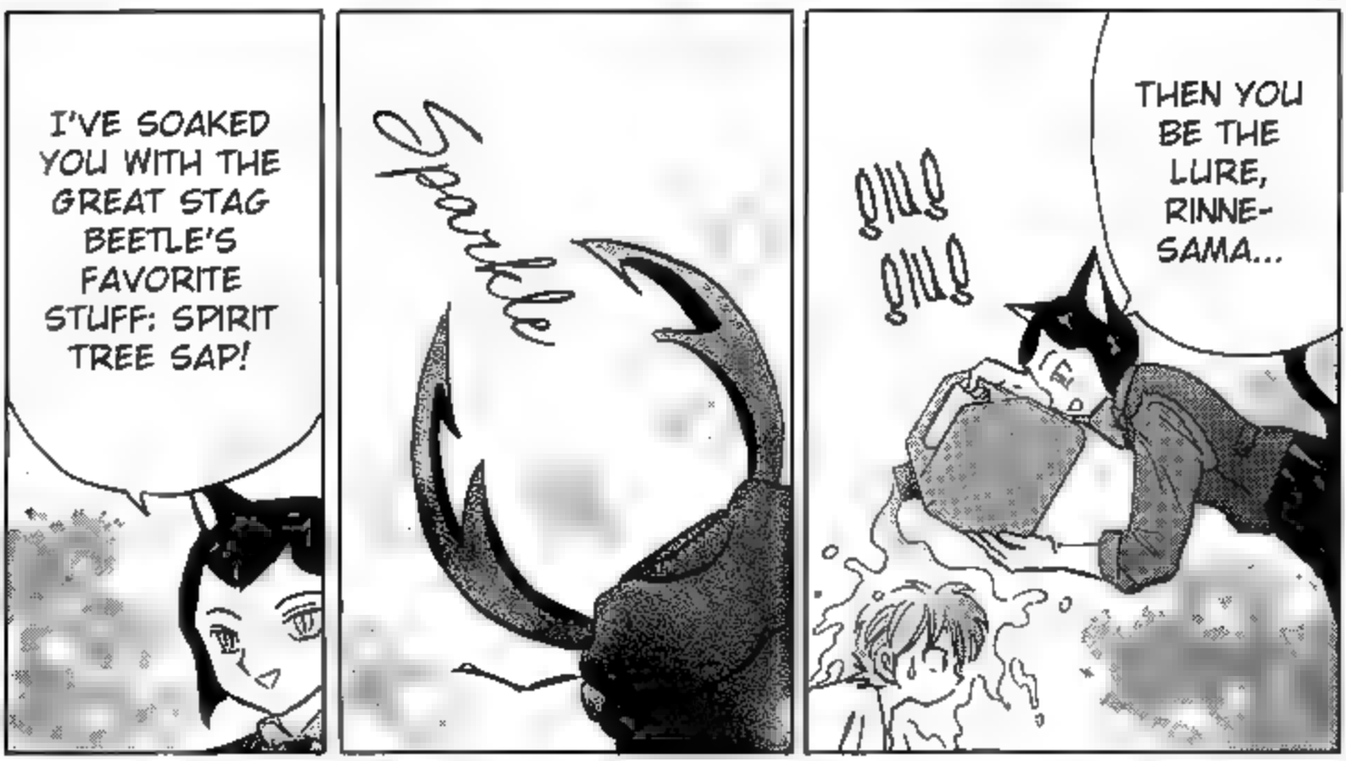
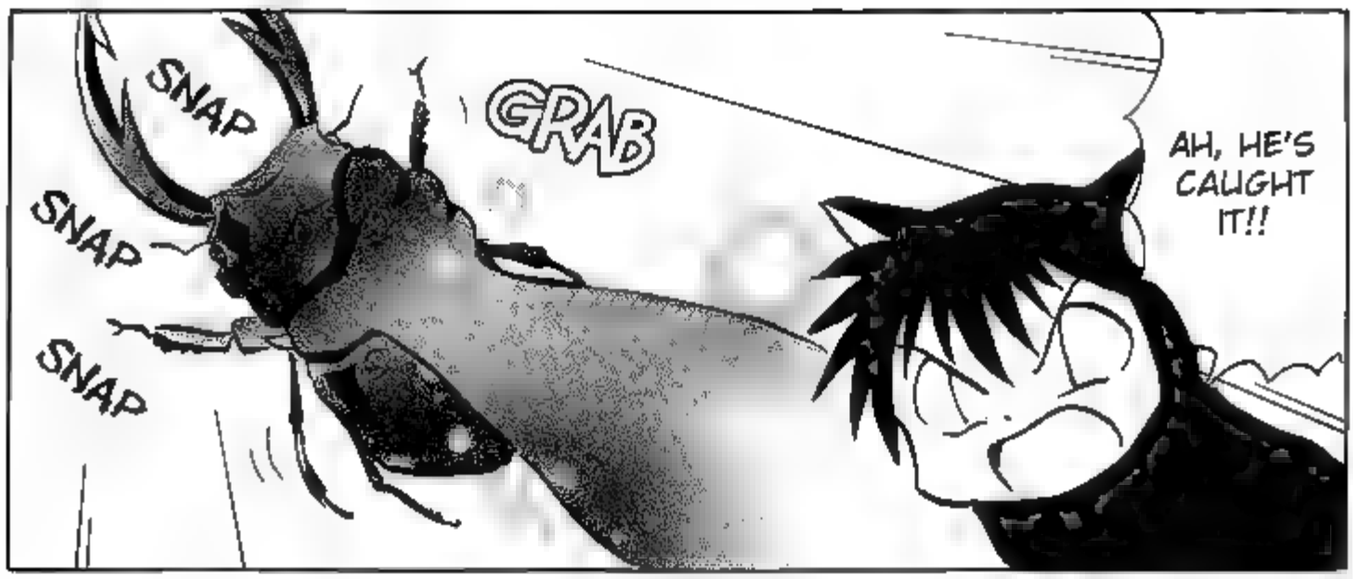
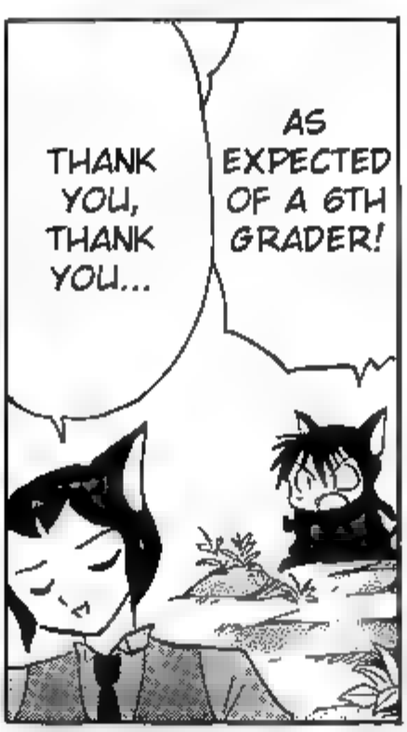

I'VE SOAKED YOU WITH THE GREAT STAG BEETLE'S FAVORITE STUFF: SPIRIT TREE SAP!
Sparkle
THEN YOU BE THE LURE, RINNE-SAMA...

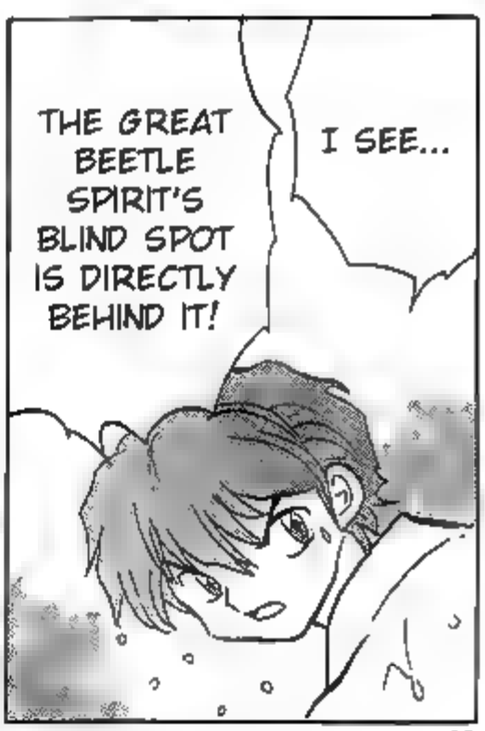
CURSE YOU!
SWIPE
SWIPE
YOU'D BETTER LEG IT, RINNE-SAMA!

BAM
BLACK CAT GEN-JUTSU!
CLASH
MEOOW


SNAP
SNAP
SNAP
GRAB
AH, HE'S CAUGHT IT!!

Blind Spot
THAT'S MY PRIZE!
WHACK


THANK YOU, THANK YOU...
AS EXPECTED OF A 6TH GRADER!


THE GREAT BEETLE SPIRIT'S BLIND SPOT IS DIRECTLY BEHIND IT!
I SEE...

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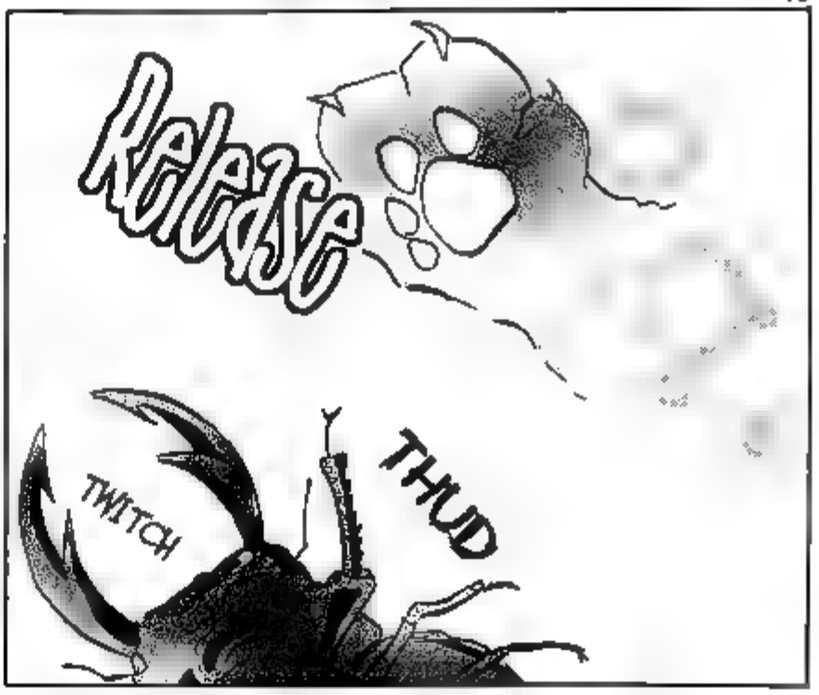
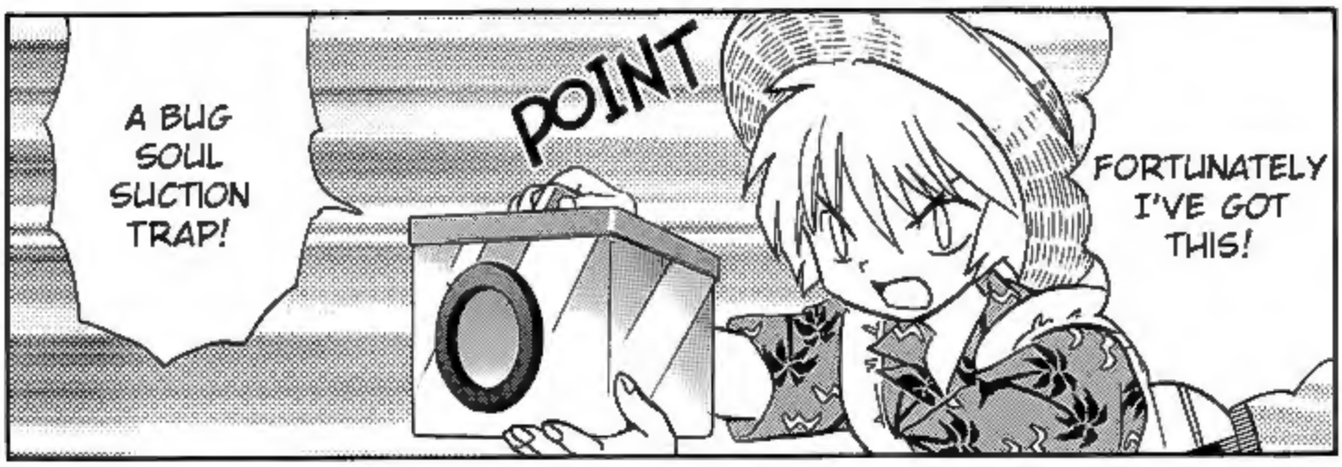
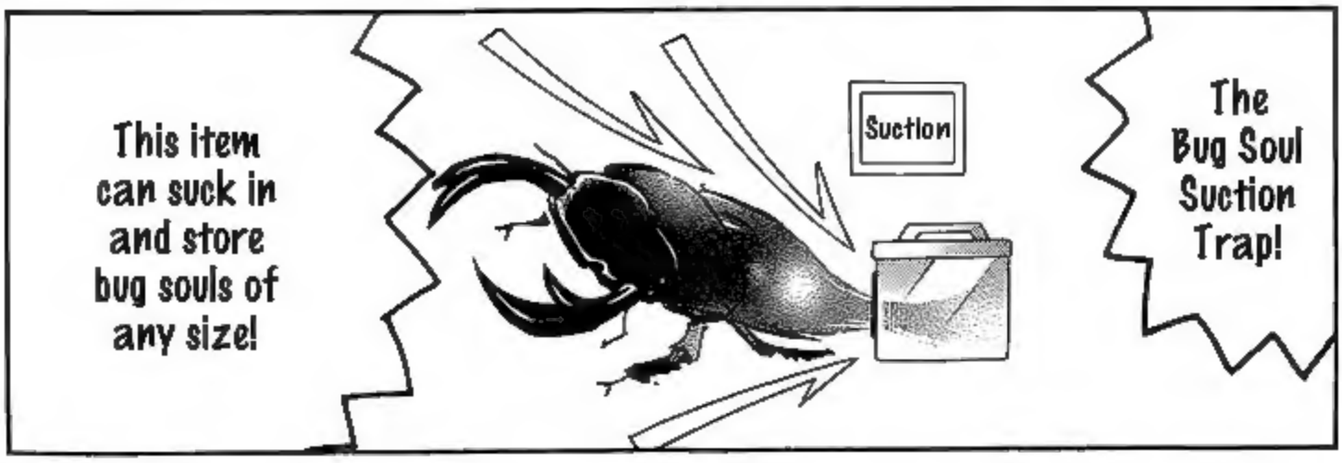
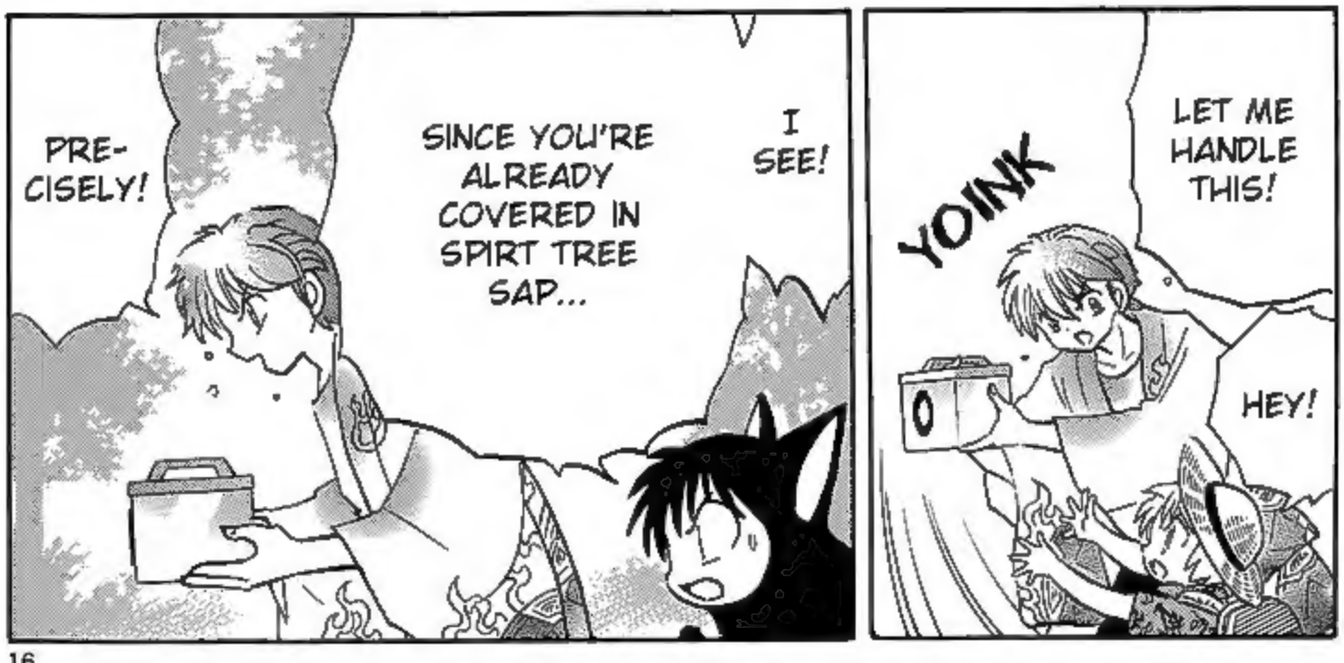
DAMN, THE BLACK CAT GENJUTSU WAS CANCELLED!
WELL, OBVIOUSLY IT WOULD BE!


Release
TWITCH
THUD


A BUG SOUL SUCTION TRAP!
POINT
FORTUNATELY I'VE GOT THIS!


This item can suck in and store bug souls of any size!
Suction
The Bug Soul Suction Trap!


PRE-CISELY!
SINCE YOU'RE ALREADY COVERED IN SPIRT TREE SAP...
I SEE!
YOINK
LET ME HANDLE THIS!
HEY!

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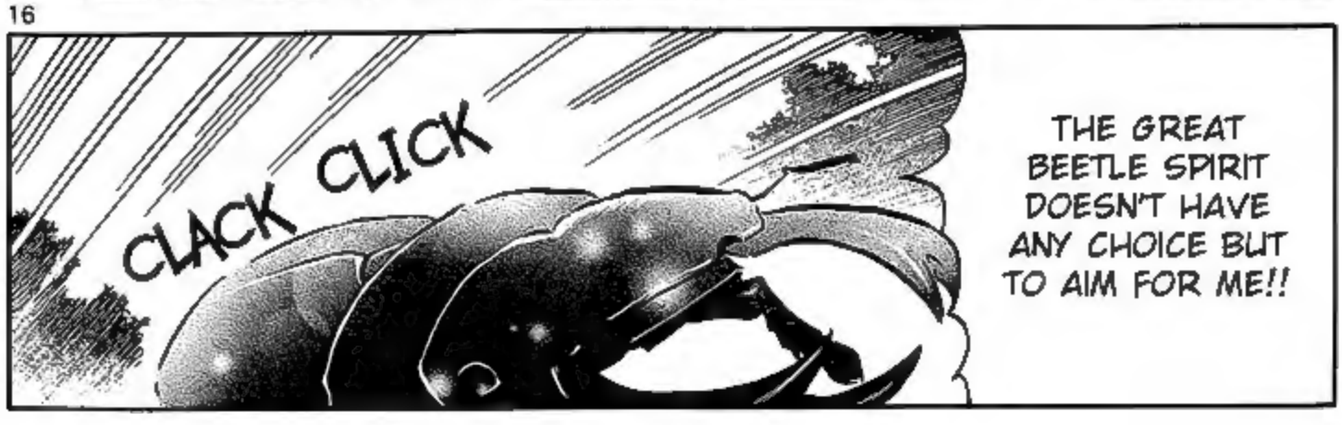
CLACK CLICK
THE GREAT BEETLE SPIRIT DOESN'T HAVE ANY CHOICE BUT TO AIM FOR ME!!

Roaaar
SUCK
SUCK

MY 10,000 POINTS!
AW YEAH!!

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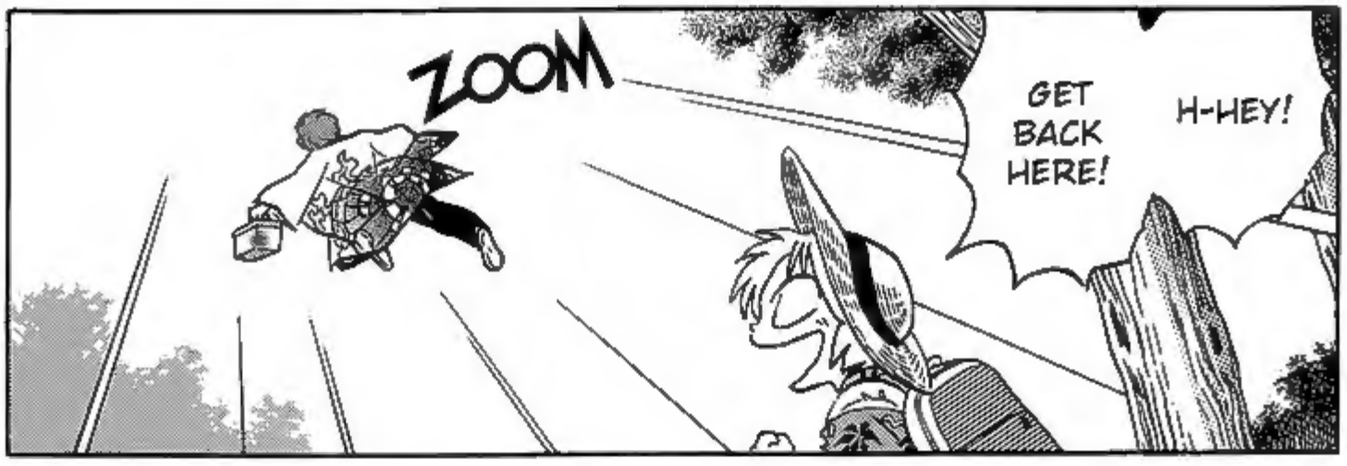
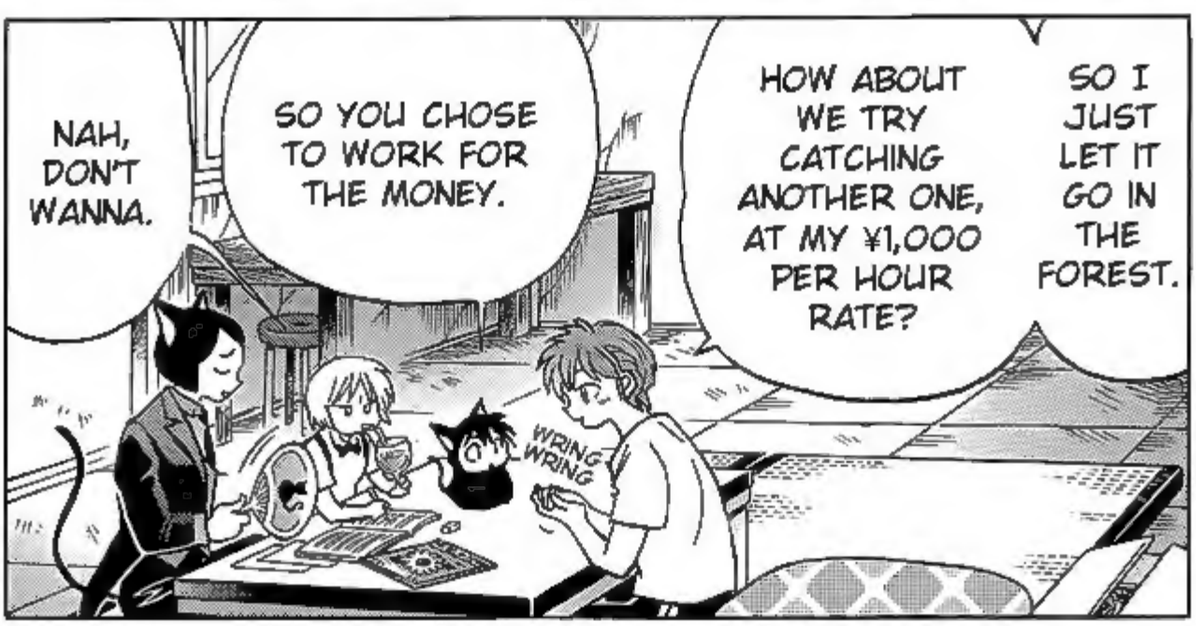

ZOOM
GET BACK HERE!
H-HEY!

YOUR HOMEWORK MAY BE IMPORTANT,
FORGIVE ME, SHOUMA!

I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO SELL IT!
BUT I CAN SELL THIS FOR ¥100,000!
SNUG (AS A BUG)

The price depends on the size.
IT'S PRETTY PUNY. ¥500.
The Other World Pet Shop


NAH, DON'T WANNA.
SO YOU CHOSE TO WORK FOR THE MONEY.
HOW ABOUT WE TRY CATCHING ANOTHER ONE, AT MY ¥1,000 PER HOUR RATE?
SO I JUST LET IT GO IN THE FOREST.
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